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NRA AGM 2026

St Aidan's on the Hill • 7:30pm • Thursday 18th June

The meeting is a great opportunity to hear about the Association's activities over the past year, and vote in new NRA committee members. You could be one of them!

**HAVE YOUR SAY!
JOIN THE NRA**

MEETING WILL COVER:

what the Association did last year, community events hosted, upcoming community projects and events, and open floor time- what do you want to see happening in the suburb?

**REFRESHMENTS
PROVIDED!**

ENJOY ALONGSIDE SOME COMMUNITY COMPANY, CHITS AND CHATS

TEA • COFFEE • BISCUITS • CHEESE •
BROWNIES • ALCOHOL FREE MULLED WINE!

**GOT A QUESTION? WANT TO GET INVOLVED?
COME ALONG AND HEAR ABOUT WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING**

TOPICS YOU MAY WANT TO CHAT ABOUT:

- Tiaki Wai / new water rates
- Fire response times
- Riverlink
- Melling interchange
- Suburb infrastructure (e.g. power outages, pipe leaks)
- Emergency resilience
- Pest control in the suburb
- HCC engagement
- Western Hills counterpart organisations
- Community safety
- Normandale, Hutt South, the upcoming election, and more!

Note- The President's and Treasurer's reports to be presented at the AGM are available on our website. They can be found attached to the electronic copy of this newsletter under 'About us' at www.normandale.org.nz/about-us/.

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Disclaimer: The opinions expressed in this paper do not necessarily reflect those of the committee. ***Note:** Copy deadline is the 25th of preceding month.

Next NRA meeting -
Annual General Meeting.
18th June 2026 7:30pm at
St Aidan's on the Hill.
All welcome.

Pictured below- volunteers unloading a file cabinet for the metal bin.



Inorganic Collection Day 2026

Collection day dawned a bit drizzly, but by the time your committee made their way to the collection site, it was dry and not too cold. The drizzle came and went during most of the morning, but no-one got too wet.

This year we had one dinosaur bin for the general waste, about 30 cubic metres, and a smaller bin for metal waste. Our first customer was there almost as soon as we opened, and we had a good stream of cars and trailers until we closed just after 4pm. As is always the way, when we try to estimate what will be brought for disposal, we did not get it perfectly right. The metal bin filled very quickly and we had to start breaking down large items in order to pack it more tidily. By 3:30 both bins were nearly full.

Over 40 households in Normandale should now be rubbish free, with over half of them paying their NRA sub in advance. The others, who paid at the time were generous with their payments and donations.



Pictured above- volunteers Ivan and Zach Hunt.

I would like to thank the committee and friends and family who helped out during some or all of the day. They did a wonderful job. And a special thank you to the residents who provided the workers with drinks and chocolates.

- Sandie Matcham, Normandale Residents' Association

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FOR MORE INFO, OR TO BOOK A TABLE, EMAIL:
thehillhive@outlook.com

SUPPORT LOCAL
Support Each Other



THE FANTASTIC FLYING FOX FINALLY OPENS!

On 6th May 2026 the opening ceremony of Normandale's flying fox was held at Normandale School.



The ribbon cutting ceremony (pictured top left) for the flying fox brought together many individuals and groups - noted on the flying fox's plaque- who helped make the 18 month long flying fox project a reality. An exciting addition for all in the community to use, extra fun can be had with the flying fox's double lines and being built on a slope.

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Normandale Residents Association

Presidents report 2025/6

The organisation has again had a busy and productive year with activities split fairly evenly between practical work in the community and political advocacy.

On the practical side, Sandie and other committee members have continued to care for and enhance the planting in the garden at the corner of Normandale and Miromiro Roads. Their efforts have not gone unnoticed and I'm happy to report that the core team has now been joined by members of the wider Normandale community. As with all gardening, it's a continuing commitment so further offers of assistance would be welcome.

Similarly Ivan has maintained his watch on the restoration of Jubilee Park pond, prodding with judicious queries when progress seemed to be stalled yet again. The pond is now nearly fully dredged and duck friendly with a small bar of silt still to be removed.

Continuing the practical contributions, your committee approved the purchase of a solar powered light for St Aidens entrance way, which I installed and your committee has been able to test its effectiveness at our meetings as the evenings draw in.

We again supported the Normandale Santa Parade with donations of sweets.

We also made a donation to the construction of a 'Flying Fox' at Normandale school, which was officially opened in May, when I had the opportunity to try it out.

Finally of course we held another very successful inorganic rubbish collection with both the jumbo waste bin and the smaller metal bin being filled, both with a bit of judicious disassembly and flattening of some bulky items. My thanks on your behalf to Sandie for organising everything and to the committee and their families who 'manned the stall'.

On the political front our 'Meet the candidates' event for the local government elections was clearly appreciated by residents as it was packed out. All candidates also thanked us noting that it was the best attended event of the campaign.

Sadly our next involvement resulted from a house fire where once again the response time by the Fire Brigade was adversely affected by the continued failure to replace the Central City station. I wrote to the responsible Minister on your behalf expressing our concern at the continued delay, copied to our local MP Chris Bishop. I have to report that to date, and despite a follow up query by Chris, I have received no reply from the Minister.

We have also kept an eye on the various water leaks and reported these to the HCC hot line.

I continued to represent the NRA at meetings with HCC on improving community engagement, and at meetings with GW on the development of Belmont Regional Park.

Through the Normandale Times we have helped publicise our own and other local community initiatives and my thanks to Victoria for her expertise and dedication in producing a professional edition every month.

On behalf of the committee, I would also like to thank Chrissy of CK & Co for their continuing support in printing the Normandale Times, and the local businesses whose adverts provide the income that funds our activity.

Our Association continues to thrive with stable and sustainable funding stream, a continued good and effective relationship with our local and national political representatives and I believe a wider appreciation of our efforts through the events we organise. I therefore feel that this is an appropriate moment for me to step down as your President and allow someone younger to lead you in the coming years.

I would once again like to thank the committee for all their support over the years, and to you all for allowing me to serve as your president.

Pete Matcham

President, NRA

Normandale Residents Association Year Ending 31 March 2026

Statement of Financial Performance	2026	2025
Income		
Subscriptions and donations	790.00	1226.00
Inorganic Rubbish Collection fees	-	230.00
Advertising	1,200.00	960.00
Interest	440.42	611.48
Total Income	2,430.42	3,027.48
Expenditure		
Inorganic Rubbish Collection	-	810.22
Christmas Parade sweets	209.82	247.08
Donation (See note 1)	5,200.00	110.00
Gifts for volunteers	273.10	161.00
Depreciation	840.74	840.00
Website	-	63.23
Community events/AGM/Stationary	229.81	73.29
Community support	72.13	-
Normandale Road entrance Garden	398.00	-
Total Expenses	7,223.60	2,304.82
Net Profit	-4,793.18	722.66

Statement of Financial Position as at 31 March 2026	2026	2025
Term Deposit, Kiwibank	11051.90	10611.48
Transaction Account, Kiwibank	1913.11	6305.97
Exercise equipment (See note 2)	-	840.74
Total Assets	12,965.01	17,758.19
Creditors	-	-
Net assets	12,965.01	17,758.19
Opening Accumulated Funds	17,758.19	17,035.53
Plus Net Profit/Less Loss	-4,793.18	722.66
Closing Accumulated Funds	12,965.01	17,758.19

Note 1:

\$5000 donation to Normandale School towards cost of Flying Fox
\$200 donation to St. Aidan's Church

Note 2:

Exercise equipment is fully depreciated at end of 25-26 financial year

Sandra Matcham
For Normandale Residents Association

Date: 6th May 2026

I have reviewed the accounts and can't see any problems. You record all income and expenditure in the Minutes of your regular meetings, and that matches with what is in the accounts. The accounts also match with what is in your bank statements.

Merryn Hedley

Date: 6th May 2026